

DISTRICT 2
June 2023 AWSC Report



“Spreading Hope”

Last year of this panel... *are we Spreading Hope?*

Groups:

Since last report to AWSC we have added 2 new groups in Ocala and 1 in Live Oak. The meetings that were meeting electronically have, for the most part, returned to face-to-face, with a few still offering some flavor of electronic component. At our District meetings, our groups are reporting more good news than challenges, which we take as a positive measure.

I am doing a “road trip” to all meetings in our District this last year to educate and promote service for the upcoming elections. Through listening in meetings, it occurred to me that many folks are not aware of the service structure of Al-Anon, and consequently – since we don’t know what we don’t know – folks are hesitant to step up. In the road trip meetings we talk about the obstacles to stepping up and offer reassurance that were all in this together and we all learn and grow together in this safe place that we are so lucky to have.

District Projects:

Archives: We have some projects we’ve been working on that we’re hoping to wrap up soon. Our archivist has been busy scanning our D2 records accumulated over the years and we’re hoping to get all that uploaded to our website by the end of this panel. Our Panel 61 Minutes and pertinent reports will also be uploaded.

District Guidelines: We also have a small task force working on a D2 Guidelines document to address things that are not outlined in our Service Manual or CAL - for example, our District elections procedures and eligibility; and how to handle things like folks stepping up and then not showing up.

Public Outreach:

We are continuing to do outreach as a district community and it is working well. In May alone, we tabled at two events. There is much to be done in this area, but I think we are setting a good foundation for the next panel to grow with.

Events:

We hosted a Gratitude Luncheon in April and followed it with a Step 11 Workshop that was very well attended. One of our groups has offered to host our annual Gratitude Dinner in October after our district elections meeting.

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For 2023 Convention we are hosting the Hospitality Room and that Committee has been busy, busy getting things ready.

We are co-hosting 2024 Convention along with D1 and D4 and those plans are coming together nicely. We have a venue and we are putting our energy into getting ready for our Big Reveal on the Sunday of this year’s convention.

Treasury:

Many of our groups, as well as our District, have seen a reduction in donations coming in, largely still due to leftover “Covid-itis”. This is reflecting some in our ability to get GRs to Assemblies, but hopefully this will settle down as the year progresses. At District we are operating at just under our Prudent Reserve, but also are confident that our HP will continue to provide as needed.

All is well – It’s all in perfect order !!

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